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Open Days & Info Sessions

SCU | Online Info Sessions

1 June 2020, 10:00 am - 5 June 2020, 2:00 pm

Online

From 1-5 June, Southern Cross University's academics, expert advisers and current students will be speaking about course information, career outcomes and life at SCU.

Find out more: https://www.scu.edu.au/study/#register

NIE | UCAT and Pathways into Medicine Webinar

2 June 2020, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Online

This forum is an excellent opportunity for teachers, students and their parents to find out about the UCAT, pathways into medicine, and have all questions answered by an expert teacher who has been working in the field since 1999.

The session is packed with invaluable information during which we will be covering the following topics, and more.

- What is UCAT? UCAT scores? UCAT Sub-tests?
- Year 10, 11 and 12 things to consider now.
- The Undergraduate Selection Criteria
- Application process into universities for medicine and dentistry
- When and who can sit the UCAT
- UCAT vs UMAT How is UCAT different and why was UMAT replaced?
- GAMSAT
- Can you prepare for the UCAT?
- Undergraduate interview process
- Gap Year
- Alternative degrees and career choices
- Q&A

Find out more: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN wbBQcaJnRjmuqZU46gmQrw

WEP | Student Exchange Info Session

4 June 2020, 6:00 pm

Online

What are your goals?

Imagine making friends from all over the world, learning about yourself and the world around you and seeing sights you could only dream of!

Find out more about your high school student exchange options at WEP's online info session.

Find out more: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN 86tADgbsRYqYHXh4qT66DA

Sydney Design School | Live Info Session

5 June 2020, 1:00 pm

24 June 2020, 6:00 pm

Online

Find out everything you need to know about our courses, flexible study options and career support. Our Director, Amanda Grace will introduce you to our unique philosophy, passionate Educators and industry focused approach to learning. During this live online event you'll be able to ask questions and get all the detail you need to make an informed decision about your creative future.

Find out more: https://sydneydesignschool.com.au/information-sessions/

Avondale | iWeek

10 June 2020, 10:00 am - 23 June 2020, 7:00 pm

Online

Tour campus, meet current students and staff and discover your study options at Avondale – all from your loungeroom (yep, even in your PJ's if you want).

Welcome to iWeek! We're hosting our first ever virtual open day, followed by live information sessions for each of our courses. We have an awesome program planned and can't wait to share it with you.

Find out more: https://www.avondale.edu.au/openday

AIT | Virtual Open Day

10 June 2020, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Online

Join us for our Virtual Open Day to find out how you can convert your passion into a career you'll love in Film, Animation, Games, Digital Design or Mobile App Development.

- Learn about our Higher Education Bachelors & Diplomas
- Listen to a panel discussion with recent graduates
- See our award-winning student works
- Live chat with our Course Advisors

Find out how you can make a successful career out of what you love.

Find out more: https://info.ait.edu.au/virtual-open-day

UON | Jobs of the Future: Computing and IT

11 June 2020, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Online

This webinar will offer insights into the changing world of work and the skills you'll need to thrive in it. You'll hear from speakers including Dr Alex Mendes, Senior Lecturer in Computer Science and Software Engineering.

It's an event for students, parents, and teachers, who want to know more about the jobs of the future and the role of computer scientists and IT professionals in tackling the world's biggest problems.

This webinar will cover:

- How computing fields are adapting and changing.
- How University of Newcastle IT and Computer Science degrees will prepare you for the future of work.
- What it's like studying computing through the eyes of a current student.
- How University of Newcastle computing researchers are responding to the COVID-19 crisis.

Find out more: https://www.newcastle.edu.au/events/future-students/jobs-of-the-future-computing-and-it

WSU | Mid-Year Info Day - Online

13 June 2020, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Online

Western Sydney University's online Mid-Year Info Day is your chance to virtually experience everything that Western has to offer. From courses to clubs, facilities to fun, this is your digital campus to explore. Drop into any number of online talks, meet our Academic staff who'll inspire you and ask us all your burning questions about university life. We've made it as easy as possible to find out exactly what you need to know about uni life.

Find out more: https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/myid-registration

CQUni | Post Year 12 Study Options Parents Webinar

16 June 2020, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Online

Graduating high school and starting university is an exciting time for Year 12 students and we understand there is a lot of information you may need to navigate this transition. Whether you're a student in Year 12 or a parent, we're here to help you get all the answers you need. Join us at our Post Year 12 Study Options webinar where we will guide you through each step, and arm you with the information and resources you need. This webinar will give you a glimpse of what students pursue after graduating Year 12 and provide helpful resources on making a career choice. You will also learn where to look for information on courses, entry requirements as well as detailed information about how to apply.

At CQUniversity, we believe education should be accessible to everyone and we have a range of alternate pathways available. We will share details with you on each of these pathway options and discuss course fees, scholarships and what comes next after applying for university. Register now for this free webinar and get the answers to your questions.

Have questions now and would like to speak with someone directly? You can book a conversation with our team, anytime.

Find out more: https://www.cqu.edu.au/events/event-items/information-session/year-12-parent-webinar

ACU | Ask an ACU Student Webinar

16 June 2020, 5:00 pm

Online

Find out what life's really like at university. Tune in to hear a panel of current ACU students share their experiences. They'll discuss everything from timetabling, to life/study balance, social

events, sports and how they get the most out of every day. There will also be time to ask the panel your questions about life at uni.

Find out more: https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2020/june/ask-an-acu-student

NIDA | Virtual Open Day

17 June 2020, 10:00 am - 20 June 2020, 5:00 pm

Online

In 2020, NIDA's Open Day will take place online, with activities spreading across four days from Wednesday 17 – Saturday 20 June.

Attend a live talk, take a virtual tour, watch never-seen-before videos of student projects, try a NIDA Online class, and more!

Find out more: https://www.nida.edu.au/productions/Open-Day

UOW | Year 10 Subject Selection Webinar

22 June 2020, 6:00 pm

Online

The Year 10 Subject Selection webinar is for students thinking about studying at university who would like to know more about our degrees and choosing subjects that provide a good foundation for each study area. Staff from the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) will go through the ATAR, how it is calculated, and touch on scaling.

We will also cover:

- UOW Early Admission
- Opportunities for High Achievers
- Scholarships
- UOW campuses
- Student Accommodation
- Pathways to University
- Costs of University
- Student Life

Find out more: https://uow-au.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN W9cR1klgRKmqdkb9ssaKKg

Online Agricultural Careers Expo 2020

23 June 2020, 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Online

The Online Agricultural Careers Expo has been designed for agriculture teachers, primary industries teachers, careers advisors and others who assist young people entering the workforce. Year 10, 11 & 12 Students are also welcome to attend.

The speakers will be top-level professionals from some of Australia's most successful Agricultural companies, and the online format removes the barriers of distance making the event available right across the country. Agriculture is a thriving Industry with competitive salary packages and it is important that young people continue to seek out careers and further education in this field.

Topics include:

- Working in Agriculture overview of salaries and conditions (Holmes Sackett)
- Types of jobs, salaries & conditions
- Scholarships, graduate and traineeship programs
- Careers and growth areas
- Pathways in Agriculture Education

Find out more: https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/online-agricultural-careers-expo-2020-registration-102136123896

UNSW | Undergraduate Info and Insights Week – Online

23 June 2020, 6:00 pm - 25 June 2020, 7:00 pm

Online

Join us at our Undergraduate Info and Insights Week from 23 – 25 June.

Designed for Year 11 and 12 students, we'll cover everything from scholarships and admissions to the UNSW student experience through a series of short livestreamed presentations. At the end of each session, you'll have the opportunity to participate in a live Q&A, where you can get all your questions answered.

Find out more: https://www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/livestream-unsw-undergraduate-info-and-insights-week

CQUni | Apply to CQUni Webinar

22 September 2020, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Online

Applying for CQUniversity will vary depending on where you are in Australia. CQUni is hosting a live webinar to help you understand each of the Tertiary Admission Centres (TAC), how you can start your application with your relevant TAC, and if you're eligible to apply directly through our website.

This webinar will also cover how to apply to CQUni's study hubs and Regional University Centres (RUCs), what a Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) is and how to apply for the Australian Government's Higher Education Contribution Scheme (HECS).

If you still have questions about CQUniversity, or you would prefer a one-on-one chat with one of our expert team members, you can Book a Conversation. Make sure to keep in touch to receive more information from us.

Find out more: https://www.cqu.edu.au/events/event-items/information-session/apply-to-cquni-webinar

Workshops & Courses

AIE | Live 3D Character Sculpting Workshop

2 June 2020, 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Online

AIE 3D Art Teacher, Gene O'Reilly, will take us through the process of sculpting a 3D character from scratch using industry-standard program ZBrush.

Find out more: https://aie.edu.au/workshop/my-journey-into-3d-character-sculpting-zbrush/

Torrens | Interactive Online Workshops

22 June 2020, 4:00 pm - 25 June 2020, 6:30 pm

Online

Curious to know what your future could look like? Ever wondered about your dream career? Join in one of our Interactive Online Workshops to get a glimpse into your future as you take part in workshops for Business, Design & Creative Technology, Health or Hospitality. All from the comfort of your own home.

Find out more: https://www.torrens.edu.au/about/interactive-online-workshops

Scholarships

Larsen Jewellery Design Scholarship Program

Value: \$3,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: April 1, 2020 – November 30, 2020

Larsen Jewellery recognises the need to support and educate young adults wishing to begin a career in jewellery, design or visual arts; or who wish to further their studies in a jewellery, design or visual arts related course.

The applicant must meet the following eligibility criteria to be considered for the scholarship:

• Applicant must display an interest and passion for jewellery, design or visual arts.

Find out more

Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship

Value: \$5,000

Open/Closing Dates: June 1, 2020 - November 20, 2020

Are you intrigued by technology and how it can change the world for the better? Westpac Young Technologists Scholarships are designed specifically for high school graduates who are passionate about technology and eager to explore its potential for good. We're looking for curious young minds, open to new ideas and untapped opportunities. If this sounds like you, let's make it happen.

Open to students who have:

- A passion for technology.
- Interest in enhancing Australia's future technology landscape.
- Focus on personal growth and development.
- Commitment to be an active Westpac Scholar Alumni member.
- Diverse skills and experience.
- Academic excellence, with a minimum credit average for the duration of the degree.

Applicants must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident under 26 years of age. Students must have completed the appropriate education certificate to gain university entrance. Please refer to your preferred university's terms and conditions.

Find out more

Choosi Futures Grant Program

Value: \$5,000

Open/Closing Dates: January 15, 2020 – October 31, 2020

The Choosi Futures Grant Program offers financial assistance to those studying the health, fitness and medical disciplines to help them, help others lead healthy lives.

- 1. To be eligible, you must be enrolled full-time in an accredited Australian Education Institution and be studying for a certificate, diploma, degree or traineeship in any of the following areas:
- Medicine eg:
 - University degrees:
 - Medical & Health Sciences
 - Medical Science
 - Medicine / Surgery
 - Medical Studies
 - Medical Research
- Health Sciences & Healthcare industry
 - University degrees:
 - Health Sciences (any specialty)
 - Applied Science (health & fitness-related specialties)
 - Health & Sport Sciences
 - TAFE certificates/diplomas:

- Health Science
- Health Science Foundations
- Practice Management
- Health Services Assistance
- Specialist healthcare eg:
 - University degrees:
 - Nursing
 - Optometry & Vision Science
 - Dentistry
 - Dental Surgery
 - Dental Science
 - Dental Medicine
 - Pharmacy
 - TAFE certificates/diplomas:
 - Nursing
 - Dental Assisting
 - Dental Technology
 - Dental Services
 - Optical Dispensing
 - Community Pharmacy
- 2. Only citizens or permanent residents of Australia can apply.
- 3. You must have reached 18 years of age to enter.

Find out more

Competitions

2020 ACMF National Songwriting Competition

The 2020 ACMF National Songwriting Competition is now open.

Every year, students from schools across Australia are invited to put pen to paper and enter their original song in the competition.

Entry is free for students from Years 1-12.

Winners receive prize-money which can be allocated towards musical equipment or tuition.

Entries for the competition close on Monday 3 August.

Find out more and enter here: http://acmf.com.au/national-songwriting-competition/

2020 Lester Prize Youth Award

The Lester Prize Youth Award encourages the creative talents of young and aspiring artists. It is open to all High School students across Australia.

Entrants are encouraged to submit a portrait of an Australian.

The Prize allows entrants to showcase their works and present their unique artistic perspectives; helps build their confidence to further their art practice; and allows them to share their stories with the wider community.

Entries are open until Friday 24 July.

Find out more and enter here: https://www.lesterprize.com/index.php/artists/prize-panel-judges-faqs/

Boroondara Literary Awards

Entries are open to the Boroondara Literary Awards.

There are two categories to enter: the Young Writers' Competition, open to writers in Years 5-12 who live work or study in Boroondara, and the Open Short Story Competition, open to all writers from across Australia.

The Young Writers' Competition offers \$5,000 in prize money across various sections. The Open Short Story Competition awards \$1,500 to its first place winner.

Entries are open until Friday 28 August.

Find out more and enter here: https://www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/about-council/awards/boroondara-literary-awards/enter-boroondara-literary-awards

Sydney Hammond Short Story Writing Competition 2020

Hawkeye Publishing are now looking for entries to the 2020 Sydney Hammond Short Story Writing Competition.

This year, the theme is "if only...". Writers are encouraged to enter stories up to 1000 words in length.

The winner will receive a \$250 Hawkeye Publishing Gift Voucher, plus an anthology cover based on their story.

Entries are open until Monday 1 August.

Find out more and enter here: https://hawkeyebooks.com.au/writing-competitions/sydney-hammond-memorial-short-story-writing-competition-2020/

The Little Darlings Youth Portrait Prize

Calling on schools nationwide to participate in a new national portrait prize!

The inaugural Little Darlings Youth Portrait Prize (LDYPP) exhibition will be held in autumn 2021, inspired by both the Portrait Gallery's Darling Portrait Prize for painting and National Photographic Portrait Prize.

The theme for LDYPP 2021 will be: Exploring identity.

The competition is open to Australian school students and home-schooled students aged from 5-18 years. Entries can be portraits in any artistic medium.

Entries are open until Thursday 15 October.

Find out more and enter here: https://www.portrait.gov.au/content/little-darlings

Careers & Jobs

A career in Freight and Logistics

What is Freight and Logistics?

The Freight and Logistics sector plays an essential role in Australia's economy.

Services include road, rail, sea, and air transportation. It also includes relevant support services like warehousing, storage, freight forwarding and customs brokerage.

Freight and logistics apply to both domestic and international trade.

The logistics industry is responsible for producing, obtaining and distributing products and goods, then getting those supplies to the right places, and in the quantities required.

The processes involved with Freight and Logistics

The industry is really diverse, there are six main areas:

- 1. Sourcing
- 2. **Transportation** (this is a classed as a separate industry, but they're hugely intertwined)
- 3. Storage
- 4. Production
- 5. Later stage storage
- 6. Distribution

Some of the jobs within this sector

Because it's such a big sector, there are lots of career options to consider. Here are just a few examples:

- Logistics Coordinator
- Customs Manager
- Supply Chain Coordinator
- Logistics Manager
- Freight Co-ordinator
- Transport Manager
- Transport Planner
- Operations Manager

- Warehouse Manager
- Distribution Manager
- Routing/Scheduling Clerk
- Engineering and maintenance crew
- Drivers, captains and pilots
- Insurance officers
- Legal representatives
- Brokers

Get more insight into the Freight and Logistics industry

Read an <u>interview with a Trainee turned Trainer</u>, if you'd like to gain a bit more understanding about the industry and pathways available.

Further Learning

Early Entry Schemes | Apply now

Get an offer for university before you've taken a final exam

Year 12 can be stressful, but the 2020 cohort have probably experienced more than their fair share due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The good news is that everyone understands your pain. Schools, education departments, tertiary admission centres, universities and other tertiary education providers – they're all working hard to make sure that you won't be unfairly disadvantaged because of it.

There are lots of early entry schemes that you could be eligible to apply for; check out our <u>Early Entry Guide</u> and our <u>alternative pathways database</u> for more information.

We'll also keep you posted in our weekly news if more programs crop up over the next few months.

Reduce your year-end stress, apply for early entry to university

Receiving an early offer has a few benefits to consider:

- Get applications out of the way sooner
- Leave yourself more time later in the year to focus on your studies and revision
- Enjoy the peace of mind that could come with your early offer
- Helps you to plan your future in more detail e.g. finances and accommodation

You can read more about the benefits of early entry and conditional offers <u>here</u>.

If you weren't already considering applying for an early offer before school shut-downs, maybe you could now.

Apply for early entry programs NOW

Our <u>Early Entry Guide 2021</u> has recently been updated with new programs, adjusted key dates and revised eligibility or application requirements.

Lots of the early entry schemes are already open for applications, if not they're opening soon. So, if you'd like to apply or you need to do a little research, now is the time.

There are more early offer programs than ever

Early entry schemes are becoming more widespread amongst the alternative pathways offered by universities.

Each uni designs its own scheme, which unfortunately means application systems and requirements will vary.

So it's important that you read all the eligibility requirements, understand the application process, and stick to the key dates listed for each individual program. We have listed all the important information and links to specific pages in our <u>Early Entry Guide</u> to get you started.

Who is eligible to apply for early entry schemes?

Some programs are for gifted students, but not all. If you're not amongst the top academic achievers in your cohort, don't be discouraged.

- Academic merit
- Elite athletes and performers
- Future leaders recognised by your school
- Students who've thrown themselves in to community engagement and volunteering
- Rural or remote applicants
- People who've experienced disadvantage

These are just some of the categories that could make you eligible to apply.

New categories for 2020

To ease any disadvantage created by COVID 19, you might find there are new opportunities being created too.

Here's a few of the universities who have already reacted:

<u>Edith Cowan University</u> have created a new **early offer program** based on your predicted ATAR from your most recent school results.

<u>Curtin University's ATAR entry scheme</u> is also new for 2020. You can apply now through <u>TISC</u>, based on your predicted ATAR or Year 11 results supplied by your school. You could receive an offer within 7 days, and they'll even refund your TISC fee.

The <u>University of Western Australia</u> are now offering their **Predicted ATAR Entry scheme**. Applications are open now. Again, you could be receiving a conditional offer within 7 days of submitting your completed application through UWA. Offers are based on your predicted ATAR or latest school reports.

The <u>University of Adelaide's Year 11 Results entry pathway</u> is also new for 2020. Launched in response to COVID 19, you could secure a conditional offer in September 2020 based on your Year 11 results from 2019.

<u>University of Canberra</u> are preparing to make early offers through a special admissions round on 13 August 2020. Your school must be registered to participate in the UC Early Offer Round, then you'll need to complete a UAC application and submit a separate SRS application by 5 July.

<u>University of Technology Sydney</u> will be opening for applications in July 2020, which is earlier than usual. You'll be able to apply for their existing access schemes then too. They're also working on additional admission schemes for 2020 school leavers, to be announced soon.

Macquarie have extended the application closing dates for their Schools Recommendation Scheme and Leaders and Achievers Scheme. Both are open for applications now. They plan on "considering a student's Year 11 results, along with the support of their school or their contribution to the community",

in order to

"make an informed judgement and an early offer that will help alleviate any anxiety around the HSC and ATAR."

<u>The University of Notre Dame</u> have also made some changes to their Early Offer program by using benchmark ATAR scores based on your Year 11 school reports.

Got questions about Early Entry?

If you still have questions about early entry, reading about some of the <u>frequently asked</u> <u>questions</u> and the answers could help.

You could also reach out to the universities if you've got additional queries about specific programs.

Don't forget that if you're not eligible to apply for any of the schemes right now because:

- You don't meet the eligibility criteria
- The university you'd like to apply for doesn't offer early entry

Or perhaps you apply and aren't offered a conditional or guaranteed place....

It's not the end of the world and certainly not the end of your university dreams.

You can still apply for your preferred university and courses later in the year; there are a few main offer rounds you could be successful in.

There are also alternative pathways to explore that could get you into the course you'd like. Just don't give up.

Your Road to Bond in 2021

To support Year 12 students who may have been disadvantaged by COVID-19, Bond University is making some changes to their admissions process.

You can now apply to Bond based on your Year 11 and Semester 1 Year 12 results. As long as you meet the entry requirements, you will receive a conditional offer to study at Bond. Once you finish Year 12, your offer becomes unconditional.

These new entry requirements apply to applicants from across Australia, not just in Queensland.

Please note, Bond's Medical Program is excluded from these revised entry requirements.

You can apply direct to Bond at any time using their online application portal.

Find out more and apply here: https://bond.edu.au/future-students/study-bond/how-apply/undergraduate-admissions-criteria/2021-year-12-entry

10 top Fashion Courses in Australia

A passion for fashion

Learn a little bit about 10 top fashion courses you could do online or in person, here in Australia. Plus you could discover the careers in fashion that might be open to you once you've completed them.

If you love fashion and you'd love a career working in the industry, it's worth exploring all the qualifications and top fashion courses that could help you achieve your goals.

You don't necessarily have to be amazingly stylish, or a naturally talented designer in order to work in the industry. There are lots of jobs in fashion that you can investigate before you commit to anything.

10 fashion courses to consider

The good news is you're spoilt for choice with the pathways into a career in the fashion industry.

Lots of hard work, experience, motivation and networking could get you a long way. But taking relevant courses could get you further faster.

So, we've researched this list of 10 of the top relevant fashion courses for you to help you kick off your options. If there's nothing here that meets all your requirements, don't panic, there are plenty more choices out there.

Note: you'll need to double check all the entry requirements and finer details for yourself, before signing up. We've helped to make it quicker to check the details of the 10 courses we've listed by providing the direct links.

Bachelor of Design in Fashion and Textiles at UTS

A 3-year undergraduate degree based on campus in Ultimo, Sydney.

This course lists potential career outcomes as

"womenswear designer, menswear designer, fashion producer, art/creative director, textile designer, print designer and fashion forecaster, fashion media, including marketing, public relations and journalism roles."

You'll need a selection rank of 91.50 or above to apply successfully.

Bachelor of Fashion (Design) at RMIT

3 years full time, on campus at Brunswick in Melbourne.

Graduates from this fashion course may be eligible to apply for jobs as:

- fashion, accessories, costume, material or colour designer
- digital content creator
- creative pattern-maker
- creative director
- stylist
- fashion strategist
- product developer
- brand strategist
- communications manager
- fashion events producer

To apply for this degree an <u>ATAR</u> isn't a requirement, even for recent school leavers. You'll be selected on the basis of other criteria, which could include a test, interview, or your portfolio of works.

Bachelor of Business / Bachelor of Design (Fashion) at QUT

This course will take you 4 years of full-time study to complete. You'll have the option of studying on campus at Gardens Point or Kelvin Grove.

The combination of fashion and business means that your career choices upon graduation could include:

- Accountant
- Advertising Professional
- Economist
- Fashion Designer

- Fashion Professional
- Financial Advisor/Analyst
- Human Resource Manager
- International Business Specialist
- Manager
- Marketing Officer/Manager
- Public Relations Officer/Consultant

This fashion course could be great if you are passionate about fashion, but your skills and strengths lie in business management.

You'll need a selection rank of 79+ to apply.

Bachelor of Design Degree at the Whitehouse Institute of Design

A 2-year full time course, with on-campus studies in Sydney and Melbourne, or you could study remotely online.

Completing this course could lead to career outcomes including:

- Fashion Designer
- Fashion Buyer
- Art Director
- Marketing Manager
- Blog Director/ Editor
- Magazine Editor
- Fashion Journalist
- Advertising Manager
- Textile Designer
- Pattern Maker
- Costume Designer
- Visual Merchandiser
- Brand Manager
- Fashion Illustrator
- Tailor
- Trend Analyst

You won't be selected on your ATAR score alone. This selection process also takes into account motivational statements, your portfolio, special consideration and your school's recommendation.

Bachelor of Creative Arts at Flinders University

This is a 3-year, full time commitment, to be completed on campus in Adelaide.

Potential occupations on graduation could include:

- fashion designer
- product developer
- garment technician
- production assistant
- fashion design assistant.

You'll need a minimum selection rank of 60.0 to apply and there are no other prerequisites.

Diploma of Applied Business (Fashion) at Collarts

You'll be able to complete this course in 8 months. They also offer a bachelor's degree in the same field that'll take you 2 years to do.

This course is for you if you're interested in a future as a Fashion Brand Manager, Visual Merchandiser, Buyer, Fashion Blogger, Wholesale Account Manager, Stylist, Fashion Publicist, Event Manager or Creative Director.

There are no prerequisites for this course, and you won't need an ATAR. You'll have to have completed your Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL) Year 12 Senior Level (or interstate equivalent). You'll also have to attend an interview.

Diploma of Branded Fashion Design at Billy Blue College of Design

A 1-year, full time course. You can attend one of the campuses in Sydney, Brisbane or Melbourne, online is also an option.

Completing this diploma could help you find work as:

- Junior Fashion Agent
- Design/Studio Intern
- Online Fashion Site Assistant
- Production Assistant
- Start-up Fashion Designer

You'll need to have completed Year 12 with an ATAR of 60+. You can also enquire with a Billy Blue Course Advisor about special entry pathways.

<u>Diploma of Applied Fashion Design and Merchandising at The Australian Institute of Creative Design</u>

You could complete this diploma in 1.5 years if you do it full time.

On completion you could be qualified to work in assistant design, product development, and product management roles within the fashion industry.

There are no prerequisites for this course, so bring your enthusiasm and passion, then apply.

Certificate IV in Fashion Design at FDS TAFE NSW

You'll learn about fashion design and branding in this course. For details about the course length, study options available, and possible career outcomes, you'll need to contact FDS directly.

Completion of a Certificate III in Design Fundamentals is a prerequisite for enrolling in the Certificate IV.

Certificate of Fashion Styling with the Australian Style Institute

You can complete this introduction to styling course either in 5 days in-person or in 6 months online. They also offer and <u>advanced certificate of Creative Styling</u> which will take you a year online.

It could be a pathway to a career as a Personal Stylist, Personal Shopper, In-store Stylist, or Virtual Stylist. During the course you'll also receive professional mentoring and networking opportunities.

There are no prerequisites for this course.

Find out if fashion is for you

If you'd like to see what a career in fashion looks like, and find out if it'll suit you. You could:

- Keep up to date by reading fashion news and publications
- Follow fashion bloggers
- See who's influencing fashion on Instagram and YouTube
- Attend workshops, shows and events for the fashion industry
- Do short courses that'll give you a taste of what to expect when you sign up for other qualifications
- Get lots of work experience
- Sign up at school to work on projects related to fashion (e.g. costume design for school productions), or help you develop important creative and functional skills.

Stay informed about fashion courses and careers

Check the Study Work Grow <u>events</u> for opportunities happening near you. Get more ideas about how and where to get <u>work experience</u>. Research careers and alternative in our <u>job spotlights</u>, or on our <u>careers page</u>. See if <u>VET</u> is a pathway to consider.

Work Experience

Monash Virtual Work Experience for Indigenous Students

Want to immerse yourself in the deadly world of healthcare? Want to gain the skills needed to make impact and support your Mob and Communities, here and around the world? Here's how you start that journey – come and join our two-day virtual work experience program.

During the two-day program, you will have an opportunity to:

- learn about health careers and pathways to them
- learn and practice healthcare workers skills
- interact with indigenous students studying medicine, nursing and allied healthcare
- participate in hands-on workshops
- gain skills to solve healthcare related problems
- be fully immersed online into the world of healthcare

This program is for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students in secondary school in Year Levels 9 or 10.

Learn more

Resources

National Reconciliation Week 2020

National Reconciliation Week in Australia

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is held each year between 27 May and 3 June.

It's purpose is to acknowledge and commemorate the hardships and milestones experienced by Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. To inspire and to help the Australian nation with moving forward.

"build relationships and communities that value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories, cultures, and futures" – Reconciliation Australia

The dates are important

NRW marks two historically significant dates.

May 27 represents the anniversary of the <u>1967 referendum</u>, when Australians voted to remove clauses in the Australian Constitution that discriminated against Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Whilst June 3, was the date in 1992 when the <u>Mabo decision</u> was made. The High Court of Australia ruled that native title was to be recognised for the first time. This was a turning point in history for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples since the arrival of the British. It acknowledges their rights as well as their unique connection to the land.

In This Together

This year NRW will be celebrated entirely online and the theme is "in this together".

You're encouraged, as are all Australians, to take part by reflecting on how you can play a role in the journey towards reconciliation and unification.

"When we come together to build mutual respect and understanding, we shape a better future for all Australians." – Karen Mundine

Reconciliation Australia have created curriculum based learning resources for secondary schools.

20 Ways to be in this together in 2020

If you would like to do more, they've also put together a list of 20 other ways that you can get involved.

The Job Maker Plan and you

Rebooting Australia's economy

You might have heard on the news over the last few days about Scott Morrison's latest announcements regarding the Job Maker Plan.

But, perhaps you're not sure what it's all about and how it could affect you.

Well, in short it could make for a brighter future for school leavers, especially those who'd like to get VET qualifications.

What is the Job Maker Plan?

The Job Maker Plan is a potential solution to the economic impacts of COVID 19.

"The way to ensure people are employed moving forward" – Scott Morrison

At the moment unemployment figures and debt levels are high.

But the immediate focus on restoring jobs that have been lost, as well as pledging to create more and better opportunities for young people in the future, is very positive.

Mr Morrison is hoping the new strategy could restore our country's economic success sooner rather than later. Although it's already a 3 to 5-year plan.

You can watch Scott Morrison talk about the Job Maker Plan here.

How could the Job Maker Plan affect you?

If you're thinking about studying a VET qualification, there's good news.

"I'm very committed to investing more, in a better system," -Scott Morrison

It's possible that funding above the current \$1.5 billion could be provided to the skills and training sector. Which in turn could create even more courses, traineeship and apprenticeship positions. Potentially it could one day translate as more financial assistance and subsidies too (but that's speculation for now).

The entire VET system may be overhauled so it's not as "complex", "clunky" or "unresponsive". "It is no wonder when faced with this, many potential students' default to the university system, even if their career could be best enhanced through vocational education." A VET system that's easier to navigate and understand could make it easier and less overwhelming for you and other young Australians. Ultimately allowing you to find the best qualifications to get your career started sooner.

In addition, course prices and quality could be standardised between states, territories and training providers. That could make opportunities in VET fairer and better for everyone.

It's good news

Although it's early days and as Mr Morrison himself said "there's no guarantees", the Job Maker Plan could help you find employment more easily after high school.

If you are interested in vocational education and training (VET), you can find out more about it on our dedicated <u>page</u>.

Job Spotlight

How to become a Fashion Stylist

What do Fashion Stylists do?

Fashion stylists provide fashion advice. They may be responsible for choosing and co-ordinating clothes for models on photo shoots, or actors in tv and film productions.

Or, as a Fashion stylist you might be hired by individuals to create a wardrobe that flatters them and suits their lifestyle and professional needs. You might also be tasked with picking out props and accessories that complete an overall look.

If you are creative with an eye for detail, have fantastic listening and people skills, then a career as a fashion stylist could tick all your boxes.

About you:

- Artistic with innate colour and design sense
- A tactful, honest communicator with great negotiating and persuasive skills
- Motivated, organised, team worker who thrives under pressure

The job:

- Advise and inspire individuals and creative teams about what styles will work
- Select and source the right clothing and accessories, ensure they're fit for purpose and perfect for your client's requirements

 Solve problems that might arise, work to tight deadlines and within strict budgets. Keep your clients happy

Fashion Stylist's salary in Australia (average) \$55,470 per year

(Source: <u>au.indeed.com</u>)

As with most industries there is a huge range of salaries, which may vary between employers and depending on your experience and niche skills.

Top stylists in the fashion industry could earn over \$110,000 a year (Source: Sapling.com).

Job growth in fashion styling is stable (source: Joboutlook.gov.au)

If you'd like to be competitive in this field, you should get as much work experience as possible, be prepared to move and travel a lot, and keep your knowledge up to date.

How to become a Fashion Stylist in Australia

A degree isn't essential for entry to this career, but some formal training is often preferred by employers and clients.

Step 1 – Study English, Maths and any creative classes that inspire you at high school. Business studies could also be useful.

Step 2 – Get relevant work experience and immerse yourself in all aspects of the fashion world.

Step 3 – Choose and complete any qualifications. Consider VET pathways. Look for opportunities with hands-on, industry experience. Examples include:

<u>Certificate III in Applied Fashion Design and Technology</u> from a registered training organisation (RTO)

Diploma of Fashion Styling at RMIT

Bachelor of Design in Fashion and Textiles at UTS

Combined Bachelor of Business/Bachelor of Design (Fashion) at QUT

Step 4 – Find an internship or mentor, gain further work experience. Make useful industry contacts and keep an up to date portfolio of your works.

Step 5 – Market yourself, continually build on your network and reputation. Make sure you stay on trend always.

Find out more here -

https://ausfashioncouncil.com/

https://australianstyleinstitute.com.au/

Similar Careers to Fashion Stylist

Personal Stylist

Image Consultant

Fashion Designer

Celebrity Stylist

Event Planner

Interior Designer

Makeup artist

Food Stylist

Wardrobe Designer

Location Scout

Corporate Stylist

Visual Merchandiser

Set Designer

Photographer

Find out more about alternative careers.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

How long does it take to become a fashion stylist?

It could take you 4 to 5 years after leaving high school to start your career as a fashion stylist. You should allow this much time to obtain any qualifications you'd like to do, as well getting work experience.

What do fashion stylists do?

Fashion stylists help clients improve or change their image. They brainstorm creative ideas for photoshoot themes and sets. They may be responsible for choosing and sourcing clothes & accessories for events, filming, photoshoots, work for fashion magazines and more.

Where do fashion stylists work?

Fashion stylists can work freelance, but may be hired in-house at publishing firms, modelling or advertising agencies, events management companies, fashion labels, shopping centres or retail stores to name a few. Fashion stylists may also be employed by individuals.

Do I need to go to university to become a fashion stylist?

No, you don't have to go to university. But relevant qualifications and lots of work experience could fast track your career and open up more opportunities.

Is fashion stylist a good career to aim for?

If you love the creative arts and would like a career that could be flexible and varied, life as a fashion stylist could be a rewarding career for you. It could also lead on to other careers in the fashion industry or ignite a passion for other jobs.

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